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Synopsis:

In 5/63, MANUEL RAY RIVERO, head of Junta Revolucionaria Cubana (JURE), publicly promised to be in Cubamby 5/20/64. As May, 1964, approached, JURE issued more press releases. U. S. press and wire services watched for military action against Cuba. Cuban armed forces were alerted. RAY and 7 others were captured by a British destroyer at Anguila Key, Bahamas. These 8 persons were fined \$14.00 each and released by the British. RAY's group included one girl and two American newsmen. On 5/13/64. Movimiento Recuperacion Revolucionario (MRR) made a naval attack against a sugar mill at Puerto Pilon, Oriente Province, Cuba. MRR claimed to have destroyed 70.000 bags of sugar. In 4/64, the military Plan Omega of Second National Front of the Escambray group (SNFE), was to be implemented and coordinated with JURE. In 5/64, there was no indication Plan Omega would be put into effect in immediate future. Comandos L (C-L) organization is inactive in the New York City area. On 5/12/64, a 25' C-L boat containing arms and ammunition exploded in the Florida Keys. On 6/3/64, C-L leader told an NBC newsman that in about two months a mission would be made against Cuba. C-L offered to sell NBC the moving pictures to be taken. During 2 weeks in May, 1964, the Movimiento Insurrecional

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Again, press and wire services speculated as to what type of action would occur. JURE, Second National Front of the Escambray (SNFE), and the Movimiento Recuperacion Revolucionario (MRR) were the leading anti-CASTRO organizations expected by Cuban exiles to start a program of commando raids against Cuba.

A number of newsmen from radio and television networks were standing by in Miami during May, 1964. There was a great amount of expectation and speculation by Cuban exiles. As May 20th approached, newsmen and Cuban exiles monitored Radio Havana for the first news of RAY's offensive against Cuba.

On May 20, 1964, CISNEROS issued a press release stating that a new offensive was beginning on Cuban soil, JURE was satisfied with the progress, and everything was going fine.

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On May 31, 1964, CISNEROS admitted to the press he did not know the whereabouts of RAY, and that things were not going well.

MM T-l advised there was considerable speculation as to the whereabouts of RAY. The majority of Cuban exiles felt let down and said that RAY had failed. Many exiles speculated RAY was in Cuba reorganizing the Cuban underground. Other exiles guessed that RAY was somewhere in the Caribbean or Central America

MANUEL RAY RIVERO Captured

On June 5, 1964, MM T-2, a confidential source abroad, advised that on June 1, 1964, eight persons were picked up by the British destroyer "Decoy" at Anguila Key, Bahamas. This group was in a twenty-five-foot boat, had a quantity of arms and ammunition, and was taken to Nassau by British authorities.

MM T-2 said that these eight persons were as follows:

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ISRAEL MORRELL; FLAVIO GONZALEZ; ARMANDO LASTRA; MIRTA BORRAS; ANDREW ST GEORGE THOMAS DUNKIN.

MM T-1 identified MIRTA BORRAS as a twenty-B. APPROX. 1940 year-old Cuban girl frequently seen at JURE headquarters in Miami. MM T-1 said that ANDREW ST. GEORGE is a freelance writer and photographer, and THOMAS DUNKIN was formerly a reporter for the "Glades Democrat" newspaper. Moorehaven, Florida, and is now a free-lance writer. MM T-1 stated that both ST. GEORGE and DUNKIN have donated money to Cuban exile groups in the past. accompanied these groups on raids against Cuba, and have sold the stories to leading magazines and press services ()

On June 7, 1964, MIRTA BORRAS, in a press interview, stated she graduated from Miami Senior High School, Miami, Florida, and is the foster daughter of ROGELIO CISNEROS. She stated she was in the Caribbean as a radio operator with RAY.

She claimed that RAY's attempt to enter Cuba by May 20th was foiled by a Cuban patrol boat. Later, RAY and the group put into Anguila Key to repair a faulty boat When RAY and his group spotted the British destroyer "Decoy," they dumped some of the equipment on the key. RAY and two others stayed on this key to hide the equipment. The others left in the small boat to avoid capture. Later, they were all captured and taken to Nassau aboard the British destroyer. They were each fined \$14.00 and released.

MM T-1 stated that bitter Cuban exiles made incisive jokes about an infiltration team which consisted of a Cuban political leader, four infiltrators, a beautiful twenty-year-old secretary, and two American newspapermen

Factionalism

On June 4, 1964, ALBERTO SUNE, Miami, advised that he is the head of Movimiento insurrecional Libertad (MII). This organization, and about a dozen other small independent anti-CASTRO organizations in Miami have united with JURE.

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